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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 4, 2004, Please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper;

**Summary of the Interview** begins on page 5 of this paper,

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper